

Welcome to Fall Creek Falls' Easter Weekend! Spring is here and the park is bursting with new life. The trees are budding and the wildflowers are starting to bloom, dotting the landscape with delightful hues of pastel colors. It's a great time to enjoy some hiking, picnicking, boating, and wildlife watching while taking in the beautiful scenery. We encourage you to take advantage of the programs we have arranged for your enjoyment and enlightenment.

- *A parent or guardian must accompany youngsters 12 years old and younger.
- *Some craft programs may be limited to 30 participants due to limited supplies and space. First come, first serve.

Stuart Carroll – Interpretive Specialist III

Matt Brown – Park Ranger II

Jon Morris – Park Naturalist

Friday, March 29th

6:00pm

<u>Local Spiders</u> – Meet Ranger Matt at the lobby of the Inn to learn about our native spiders' habits, identifying features, role in nature, and more! There will be a short, rolling slide presentation to watch from 6:00pm to 7:00pm and possibly some live specimens to observe and discuss. Stop by anytime during the hour.

8:00pm

Evening Nature Ramble – Meet Ranger Matt at the Campers' Check-In for a nature walk around the golf course. This is the peak time to see some of the park's nightlife like deer, raccoons, frogs, etc. If it's clear, we may look at a star or two as well.

Saturday, March 30th

10:00am

Egg Hunt – Attention Kids!!! Come to the Village Area for our annual Easter Egg Hunt. There will be plenty of candy-filled eggs for everyone. Keep your eyes open for those elusive prize eggs.

11:00am <u>Craft Time</u> – Meet Jon and Brittany at the Rec. Hall for a variety of craft stations. We will be

coloring pictures of some of our native wildlife and making key chains, jewelry, and butterfly refrigerator magnets. Be sure to bring your plastic eggs from the egg hunt to test your

camouflaging skills!

2:00pm Hike to Fall Creek Falls Overlook – Meet Jon at the Nature Center for a moderate 2-mile

roundtrip hike to Fall Creek Falls. We will discuss various rocks, plants, and animals along the

way.

Sunday, March 31st

7:00am Sunrise Service – Pastor John Smith will be hosting an interdenominational service at

Millikan's Overlook.

1:00pm Snake Show – Meet Jon at the Nature Center to get up close and personal with some of the

park's more elusive residents.

3:00pm Wildlife Jeopardy – Meet Jon at the Nature Center to test your wildlife knowledge.



Cool Holiday Fact

Do you know that the Easter Bunny first made an appearance in North America with German settlers in the early 1700's? Children would make secluded nests out of their caps and bonnets for the "Oschter Haws" that would mysteriously be filled with colored eggs if they had been good.

Cultural History is one of the many topics which may be discussed in the Fall Creek Falls 2½-day or 5-day Environmental Education Program for school groups. For more information, contact the Nature Center (423) 881-5708.



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